ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Board of Managers

OF THE

EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION

FOR THE WEST.

For the year 1856.

Read before the Association at the Annual Meeting in St. Andrew's Church, Tuesday Evening, May 20th, 1856.

TOGETHER WITH THE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

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Episcopal Missionary Association for the West.

Philadelphia, May 20, 1856.

St. Andrew's Church, Tuesday, 8 P. M.

The members of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, being assembled at the above named place and time in Annual Meeting,

The chair was taken by the Rev. Dr. Hare, and the meeting was opened with prayer, by Rev. Dr. Stevens.

The Rev. Dr. Howe from the Committee of the Board of Managers appointed for that purpose, presented the Annual Report which was read.

The Rev. Mr. Miller, Secretary, presented the Treasurer's Report, and made a statement of the financial position of the Association and of the present condition of its Missionary operations.

Rev. Dr. Newton moved the acceptance of the Reports, which was adopted together with a Resolution requesting the Board of Managers to print and circulate such a number thereof as might be deemed expedient.

The Rev. Mr. Washburn moved that the following named gentlemen be chosen as the Board of Managers of the Association to serve until the annual meeting in May, 1857, which motion was unanimously adopted.

BOARD OF MANAGERS FOR 1856-7.

Rev. W. B. Stevens, D.D.,
Rev. M. A. De W. Howe, D.D.,
Rev. Richard Newton, D.D.,
Rev. C. D. Cooper,
Rev. J. G. Maxwell,
Rev. D. S. Miller,
Herman Cope,
Wm. P. Cresson,
George L. Harrison,
A. G. Coffin,
Joshua Cowpland,
Jay Cook.

SECRETARY.

Rev. D. S. Miller, 146 Walnut St., Phila.
P. O., Frankford, Philadelphia.

TREASURER.

Herman Cope, Esq., 4 Logan Square, Philadelphia.

On motion of Rev. Dr. Stevens, the following Resolutions were adopted:

Resolved,

That while we record our deep gratitude to Almighty God for the favor bestowed upon us during the year just closed, we will in His strength labor more earnestly and prayerfully in the year which we now commence.

Resolved,

That the new fields opening to our view and ripening for the moral harvest demand of us early occupancy and efficient laborers.

Resolved,

That we find no occasion for altering or amending the compact made by a Committee of this body with the Domestic Committee as our practical working under it has been satisfactory and unimpeded.

Resolved,

That we shall ever hold the principles upon which this Society is based, and respectfully claim the rights guaranteed to it by the Domestic Committee, the Board of Missions and the General Convention, and that we do not propose by any act of ours to sever the union between the Domestic Board and ourselves, so long as these rights remain uninfringed.

On motion the Association then Adjourned.

Attest D. S. MILLER, *Secretary*.

Correspondence may be addressed to any Member of the Board, or to

REV. D. S. MILLER, *Secretary*.

Office, 146 Walnut St., *Philadelphia*.

P. O.—Address Frankford, *Philadelphia*.

Contributions may be sent to Herman Cope, Esq., Treasurer, 4 Logan Square, Philadelphia, or to the Treasurer of the Committee for Domestic Missions at New York, marked as "SUBJECT TO THE ORDER OF THE EPISCOPAL MISSIONARY ASSOCIATION FOR THE WEST," in which case the Secretary or Treasurer of the Association should also be advised.

REPORT.

The Board of Managers of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, in presenting to the friends of this organization their Fifth Annual Report, feel that their first thoughts are due to the Author of all good; and their first words shall be an acknowledgment of His favor, in blessing the Missions for whose support they have been privileged to appropriate, and in extending, and strengthening the interest of His people in their work, and opening their hearts and hands to devise and execute liberal things.

We ought to rejoice with fond memory and lively hope, that one of our number who has served the Lord of the Household faithfully, laboriously, and unostentatiously in this Association, since its stage of active duty began, has entered upon the rest which remaineth for the Holy Dead. Yet, though grace enjoins us to be glad for our Brother's advancement, nature in our hearts cannot repress its sigh that we shall here see his face no more. Mr. Samuel N. Davies, to whom the Association is indebted for a wise, prudent, and exact care of its finances, through the four earlier years of its existence, in the responsible office of Treasurer, departed this life early in the last summer. "The memory of the just is fragrant when he sleeps in dust."

The field in which our funds have from the beginning been principally expended,—the Diocese of Iowa,—is exhibiting in the most gratifying manifestations the fruits of that generous culture which it has enjoyed. The Episcopal Church seems to be received there, with peculiar favor, and to gain accessions to its numerical strength, with a rapidity almost unprecedented. We have no reason to suppose that any unusual proportion of the population, wherewith the State of Iowa is being occupied, had been before their migration to that region attached to the peculiarities of our worship. We are disposed to attribute the success of the laborers to whom we have ministered in temporal things, under God, to the fact that we have made for them such liberal provision as has enabled us to attract to the missionary field men of ability in their vocation, in many instances men of large experience, and practical success,—and in all cases men of zeal and activity, and earnestness of mind. They have been enabled to devote themselves entirely to the work of the ministry, without distracting toil or fears for their support. And last, though not least, they have, we believe, been generally careful to present the simple Gospel in their ministrations as "the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth." They have been zealous above all to make *Christians*, and have felt some confidence, that the beautiful worship of our Church would commend *itself* to the taste and conscience of such as attend upon it; especially if that Church be made to

them, the vehicle of converting and sanctifying grace. To *show* the Church decked in the beauty of holiness, they have found more effectual than merely to *declare* it so. The result is that the Parishes already organized in that infant Diocese, under Missionary aid from abroad are sending back contributions for the help of others; they are fast rising to a self-supporting condition; and new fields are opening in every flourishing village in which not only would the establishment of Episcopal worship be kindly received, but is importunately solicited.

Already is the Diocese of Iowa more vigorous than some of its elder sisters in the Western States. It has resources (collected through the forecast and energy of its excellent Bishop) which will enable it after a few years to renounce all extraneous aid, and to meet its own demands, not only for the support of its ministers, but for the building of its churches. A portion of the compensation provided for their Bishop's services, is even now supplied by free-will offerings in the Diocese itself. Efforts are in progress to procure an Episcopal residence. And on the whole there is every reason to anticipate that the time will soon arrive, wherein this vine of our planting will have grown beyond the need of prop or culture from us, and will shed fruit whose seed is in itself for the production of others, kindred in nature, and equal in vigor and fruitfulness. We desire not to boast of what has been accomplished. To God's blessing all this prosperity is to be imputed.

The wisdom of our plan, (if it may be alleged to have had any,) was suggested by the follies and ill success of others. It had two cardinal principles. It contemplated the employment of none who require a Missionary stipend as a pension for past services rendered or imputed, but only of efficient, earnest, faithful men, who in doctrine, character and ministrations are fitted to do good and productive labor. And, for such it undertook to provide an adequate maintenance, which should be punctually paid. These simple features of our organization have on the one hand attracted the notice, and drawn to our employ ministers of known ability, and large experience, who had before been looking wistfully to the Western field, but on account of the precariousness, and insufficiency of the proffered recompense had not dared to remove their families thither; and, on the other hand, they have commended themselves to the approbation of givers in the Church, and have thus far, by their simple announcement—without persuasives, or appeals, or agencies,—yea, despite denunciation from some, and ungenerous inuendoes from others, secured for our Treasury all the supplies which we have needed.

The past of our history we contemplate with unmingled pleasure and gratitude. When we proposed to organize, we found in the Domestic Committee a ready mind to accept our co-operation on the terms, upon which we proffered it. With the venerable

Bishop within the limits of whose Missionary jurisdiction, we proposed to expend the greater part of the funds entrusted to us—we opened at once a frank and friendly correspondence. We distinctly stated our principles, and plans of operation, and were welcomed to our elected field of labor.

We deemed it best to concentrate our efforts at the beginning principally upon one territory, not for any sinister object as has since been insinuated, but because we had not means enough to authorize a wide distribution, and because it was important to our future prosperity, and favor before the Church that the little we might be permitted to do, should be observable. It would be our only letter of commendation. We had no prestige, no manifest authoritative existence, no organ of communication with our constituents. The continuance of our supplies depended then upon the wise and effective expenditure of the means first entrusted to us. Results to be convincing, must in our case be palpable. We determined to apply our earliest efforts in the State of Iowa; into which population, and that of an intelligent and thrifty character was pouring more rapidly, than into any other district of the great West, and where the provision to meet the spiritual wants of the people, was specially inadequate.

The principles, and plans on which we commenced our work were approved (we suppose, for they were sanctioned) by all who had any legitimate concern in

what we proposed to do. They were approved by our own consciences; by our congregations; by the Domestic Committee; by the Bishops in whose jurisdictions we proposed to employ the resources at our command; by the people to whom our aid was proffered, and by many friends, it seems, in various parts of the country to whom our work became known, and who from that time forth have confided to us, the distribution of their missionary offerings. By those principles and plans we have proceeded in all fidelity to this day. We challenge the designation of a single act in which we have transgressed, or of a single word in which we have disowned them. If our principles were sound, if our plans were judicious at the outset, they are so now. If they were worthy to be sanctioned as abstractions, they are worthy to be approved, and commended as living, efficient powers which have accomplished something, and are instinct with purpose and will and ability to do more.—We cannot for a moment suppose that any thoughtful, Christian man—much less any official representatives of the Missionary interest of the Church—can have pronounced approval of such an enterprize as ours in its inception, merely to forefend immediate difficulty, trusting to some fortuitous obstruction to render it powerless, and put it at rest. We always understand such to speak deliberately, cordially and determinately, and therefore, we have looked for smiles of approbation, and sympathy in our joy, from those in authority, as the work undertaken

with their express sanction has proceeded to its development. What can be more pleasurable than to see that which we have approved in principle wrought out into beneficent action?

It is not too much to say, that our hopes and anticipations in this behalf have not been fully realized. We would rather be convinced that the equivocal and misdoubting expression, which has appeared on the faces of some who are over us in this work, during the past year, has been a morbid conceit of our own, rather than an indication of estranged feeling on their part, whose confidence, and approbation, we consciously deserve and desire to possess. If, however, this seeming distrust be not a fancy, but a fact, it is fit to awaken something more than disappointment in our bosoms. Grave questions respecting the future are suggested by it.

We are now an integral part of the Church's machinery for the conduct of Domestic missions. We exist under the sanction of that Body to whom the Church by its General Convention has delegated its Home Missionary work; we have been welcomed thereby as an Auxiliary. The Board of Missions has more than once commended our organization. So far as recorded action goes—emanating from the source of power in the Church on earth—we seem to be unquestionably a legitimate Body. And to us the tokens are equally manifest that we have the sanction of the Head of the Church in Heaven. Here we

stand then, having plenary authorization, human and divine,—having the practical knowledge which comes by experience,—having the testimonial of abundant success—having sufficient funds commited to us to meet all existing obligations—having the pledge of increasing confidence on the part of those who have made us distribntors of their bounty in the constant increase of their benefactions. These are the resistless incentives, which prompt us to pursue our work.

Under these circumstances, we know not how we could excuse ourselves, before the great body of the faithful, who are empowering us with their prayers and contributions—yea, before Him who is "Head over all things," by whose favoring smiles we have been cheered, did we falter in our course or desist from our labors. Indeed when we contemplete this aspect of our position and relations, we feel reproached that any apprehension of difficulty has for a moment cast its shadow on our minds.

Moreover, if we speculate upon the moral probabilities of the case and—holding in abeyance all personal considerations, and all the untoward omens of the day,—view it in its simple, intrinsic merits, there seems scarce any imaginable hindrance, which can arise to prevent the vast extension of our work. The great principles of our relations to the Domestic Committee and to the Bishops of the West, were adjusted at the outset. It has required time and patience to settle all the details. We have always endeavored

to deal with these subjects in a loyal and ingenuous spirit. We have had no purpose which has not been announced from the beginning. And in the covenanted pursuit of that purpose, we wish to trench on no prerogative of our superiors, to encroach on no province of our more powerful allies. All that we want—to make our Association a growing blessing to the Church in the West—is freedom to go on, as we were cordially permitted to begin. There is no disposition to repel us among the people of that region to which our sympathies, our labors, and our means go forth. There is no backwardness on the part of the worthy and excellent clergymen, for whom it would be our pleasure to provide, to accept appointments from the Domestic Committee upon our pledge to furnish the needed supplies. The resources of the Association have thus far increased, steadily and commensurately with our demands. We have therefore no reason to fear the alienation, or lukewarmness, or niggardliness of our friends, while we continue to do the right thing in the right way.

Who then will obstruct our efforts, or forbid our advances? Surely not the Bishops of the border States, who are constantly bemoaning the scarcity of Ministers and the difficulty of supporting them:—who, in their necessity, have through past years nominated so many of whom it is questionable, (whatever be their personal worth,) whether the church were better served by their continuance, or abandonment of their vocation! Surely

not the Bishops, who by the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Church, under which we, as well as the Central Committees exist and act, have a veto upon the appointment of any unworthy man, should any such be proposed! These fathers in the Household of Faith cannot so far forget their relation to all the members, as to become patrons of a party, and, as such, bound to ostracise all who cannot pronounce its shibboleth.

Still less, can missionary Bishops, who are not the elect of a few whom affinity of opinion may have collected in some infant Diocese,—but are the embodiment of the Church's catholicity,—the elect of its common voice, still less can these,—chosen because they were believed to be moderate and tolerant men,—be so swerved from their propriety, as to overlook the personal qualifications of Ministers asking to be received into the bounds of their jurisdictions, and refuse the stipendiaries of *any* Association simply *because they are such.* They have a right, yea, it is their duty to know, whether the trumpets which may be blown in their borders discourse the key-notes of the Gospel "as this Church has received the same," but to examine the image and superscription on the coin wherewith tribute is paid to the Lord's ministers is surely no part of their function. And no man among them is so young in office as to fall inadvertently into such an act of folly, nor so old, as to commit it through imbecility.

Why,—if our missions should ever be obstructed or

no better pretext than the allegation that this Auxiliary of the Domestic Committee supplies the means, and the men proffered are therefore supposed to belong to the class called "Evangelical,"—if such a crisis should ever occur, and be exposed, as it ought to be, the Church would be convulsed by the announcement; its whole missionary organization would be remodelled or overthrown, and meantime, the gifts of its most devoted and liberal contributors to this cause be entirely withheld. Oh, there can be no danger of hindrance from those Missionary Bishops, who by the very source and tenure of their office are required to administer on principles of generous toleration. The missions under them, yea, they themselves, subsist upon means furnished by men of every shade of opinion permitted in the Church:—largely by those, who, in the case above considered, (and judged impossible,) would suffer proscription. In this Nineteenth Century, in this Protestant Church, no man charged with the oversight of a missionary region can with impunity apply any tests to clergymen proposing to labor within the limits of his jurisdiction, which do not concern the personal and official qualifications of the candidates themselves. He transcends his province, when he asks, who are their friends, or who furnished the money, by which they shall be supported? In themselves is their fitness or unfitness for their sphere:—in the call of a Parish or the appointment of the Domestic Committee is the final evidence of their proper

authorization to look for and to claim Episcopal sanction. These positions are so patent to the common sense and Protestant feeling of the Church, that we stand prepared to appeal upon them—if ever need shall arise—from the delegated to the primary power.

There is one untoward indication darkening our prospects for the future, to which we advert with great reluctance. But we have no means of communicating with what may be called our constituents on matters of mutal concern, save through our Annual Reports. We are therefore constrained to vindicate ourselves in this document from injuries not the less real, because indirect and perhaps unappreciated by the writer, which were visited upon us in the editorial Article in the Domestic part of the "Spirit of Missions," for January, and reiterated in the number for March.

We do not assume to be "the few who would pollute the holiest cause on earth with petty aims and narrow views," but many have supposed us to be designated by those opprobrious terms; and as we look around us, and scrutinize the character and conduct of our brethren in the great Household of the Church, we can find none else to whom they would more probably be applied, by one who assumes that the Domestic Committee is entitled in "simple justice and obvious duty and propriety" to universal confidence and support, than to ourselves. Whether this Association was specifically intended by the description above quoted, or only embraced in a common condemnation

with all those who do not transmit their contributions directly to the Treasury of the Domestic Committee, without any restriction or designation, we know not. In either case we can but pronounce the allusion unseemly, and utterly inconsistent with the relations which we bear to the Domestic Committee, as an accepted and commended Auxiliary. But, supposing us to be in an attitude of antagonism (which we are not) yet we must emphatically object to the use of the pages of a Missionary Intelligencer which has access to all the Parishes of the Church, as a vehicle for *polemical matter*. No set of men in the Church can with shadow of propriety be spoken of in that Periodical as being "disloyal," or as having "sectional, personal, or party views." The indulgence of such language will constrain such as feel themselves aggrieved thereby to forefend the circulation of such a Magazine, in circles, where they possess and may legitmately desire to retain any influence.

Moreover, we cannot but regard the dissuasives which have once and again appeared in the Spirit of Missions, and which the "responsible Editor" desires to "keep before the mind and heart of the Church," from the designation of Funds to the special use and disbursement of this Association, as in like manner unfraternal, and at variance with the spirit of that compact which now binds us to the Domestic Committee, and restricts us to the support of their missionaries, and theirs only.

It is intimated that the direction of funds to our Treasury is an impropriation, and cripples the ability of the Committee to meet its precuniary obligations to those Missionaries, for whom we do not help to provide. Then the independent operations of that Committee must have been enlarged to an extraordinary, (it would not become us to say unwarrantable) extent. Their annual resources, besides what we supply, have doubled since our Association came into being. A spirit of generous emulation has aroused their friends, and prompted them to greater liberality. If, with such an increase of means, their zeal has outrun their discretion, and involved them in yet excessive liabilities, is it generous, or equitable to turn to our supporters, and ask them to leave us in the vocative for their relief? There never was a thought more chimerical than the conceit that the contributions which are now committed specially to us, would, if not so designated, be surely entrusted to them. As we have often alleged before, so we here venture to reaffirm, that most of the moneys which are now consigned to us for distribution come from sources which did not send supplies to the Domestic Committee before our organization, and would not now do so were we to dissolve. What we obtain is an added contribution to the missionary work; and the prosperity of *that work*, by whomsoever sustained, in whatever quarter extended, ought to rejoice every functionary, whom the Church in her unity "appoints

over this business." Partizanship everywhere odious were an "abomination of desolation, standing where it ought not," could it, in a post of authority conferred by the whole church "for edification and not for destruction," repel or rebuke the zealous, and well-meant efforts of any of her members, who are laboring to build her walls and strengthen her outposts. "We forbade him," said the presumptuous, and carnal-minded disciples, "because he followeth not with us." "Forbid him not," said the Divine Master, "He that is not against us is on our part." With equal propriety, we conceive, might there be found in the Domestic department of the Spirit of missions, an objurgation of those who prefer to give to the foreign field, or *vice versâ*. We know no such jealousies. We rejoice though our official position gives a more limited range of observation, and a more partial sphere,—yet we rejoice that the resources of the Domestic Committee have so largely increased. We wish they may be doubled again. We pray for their prosperity, and for their expanded charity, and wider usefulness. We do not wish to be understood as presenting to them, or to any functionary of the Church, high or low, in their employ, a hostile front. We assail nobody. We impute evil motives to no man who assails, or embarrasses us. We court no contest before the Church, for our inherent, or our chartered rights. We often submit in silence to infringements, or omissions, and have "long patience" in waiting for them to be rectified. We

never resort to public vindication or defence, save when we apprehend that the good work which Providence has committed to our charge is in danger of being arrested or materially hindered. It is always with pain that we find fault with the doings, the threatenings, or the delinquencies of our superiors. We wish to "lead a quiet and peaceable life, in all godliness and honesty," and to maintain our stipulated relation to the Domestic Committee in all fidelity, working for them, and with them, in whatever intimacy of concert they may please (conformably with our covenant) to invite and reciprocate. But we do not intend at any time, or under any circumstances, to receive without seeming discernment, blessing and cursing out of the same mouth, nor to drink with a smack of ostensible satisfaction sweet water and bitter out of the same fountain. We ask a manly and generous fraternity, or an open repudiation and denouncement.

Having thus spoken of the clouds, (fleece-clouds we trust) which darken our prospect and threaten our peaceable pursuit of the work which God hath given us to do, we should do injustice alike to the Domestic Committee and to our own feelings, did we not advert to their kindness in giving place in the "Spirit of Missions," to our acknowledgments of moneys received. It is to our contributors a great convenience, and will save them, we trust and believe from the mortification of being reported to the Church in its missionary organ, as wholly delinquent, when in fact

they are giving more liberally for Domestic Missions than ever before. It is to us a great favor, if there be not an antidote to its advantages under the same cover, in the shape of a phillippic against "special funds." We are thankful for the one, and deprecate the other.

When we contemplate the vast fields which in the boundless West are demanding spiritual culture, and revert to the insufficiency of men and means, which can be furnished in our Eastern borders for the work, we cannot persuade ourselves, that any, save they who "have evil will at Zion," can forbid the benefactions or rebuke the labors of any brethren in the fellowship of the faith, who go forth to plant the standard of the cross, and claim possession in Jesus' name. After every interest in the Church shall have been aroused, after every organization for missionary duty shall have been put into full activity, oh,—how "much land will yet remain to be possessed." We have no time to waste in bickerings with one another; no energies to spare which we may prostitute to the unholy purpose of hindering our brethren. We cannot understand that temper of mind which dictates the threat that if we be not repudiated, others will withhold their benefactions. To our respected friends and brethren of the Domestic Committee we address no such language. Rather would we say, if any esteem our organization efficient, and likely to disturb "the balance of power," let them redouble their energies, and overshadow us by the vastness of their operations.

Let them pray more, and work more, and give more, and the Ark of God will be with them, and they will prevail. To excel, not to hinder should be every Christian man's ambition. To gain and keep the lead by activity is worthy, but to secure it by fettering others is less than ignoble,—it is contemptible. Brethren may be assured that if the whole country were dotted over with associations like our own, all transmitting through the Domestic Committee, it would induce no anarchy in the Church. The principles, of our organization, are not obnoxious to sound conservative churchmanship. They have been denounced only by those who have never examined them, and whose personal prejudices incline them to determine after the same spirit of uncharitableness which prompted one to say, "Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?" All we ask is, "Come and see." Our Constitution is before the Church, it has been approved by those to whom she has delegated the conduct of her Missionary work. Let the cynics review their decision, who think such a proceeding loyal,—and then permit us to see the grave charge of radicalism, faction, and rivalry re-iterated—not in vague generalities, but in distinct specifications. What Church principle does our Constitution ignore?—What Church authority does it license us to resist?—What Church agency does it allow us to contravene?

As may be inferred from the preceding general re-

marks, the position of the Association is annually becoming more assured and its prospects more encouraging as its claims are more widely known and allowed. Contributions and other evidences of favor have streamed in from many new sources. Churches which have not hitherto aided our Treasury have done nobly in the past year. From the city of New York the contributions to the Association have exceeded those of the previous year by more than one thousand dollars. From all sources the sum which has been contributed to forward our objects has been seven thousand and sixty-six dollars, thirty-four cents.

A part of this has not been passed directly into our Treasury, but was paid to our Missionaries under our direction through the Domestic Committee. The sum which has been deposited subject to the order of the Association, in the hands of the Treasurer of the Domestic Committee at New York, has very greatly increased.

From the City of Philadelphia we have received one thousand nine hundred and twenty-four dollars and sixty-three cents; from the State of Pennsylvania, four hundred and twelve dollars and sixteen cents; from other parts of the country four thousand seven hundred and twenty-nine dollars and fifty-five cents. A considerable sum has been received from *Missionary* churches, some of which have been fostered into strength by the help of the Association. Several of the Mission stations aided have become strong enough to be self-support-

ing:—hence have been discontinued or have received the aid of the Society sufficiently long to make a reduction of the allowances voted them expedient, according to the system upon which the Association desires to extend its assistance.

Among the former were Davenport, Iowa, and Hickman in Kentucky. The stipends allowed to the stations at Keokuk, Iowa, at Peru, Illinois, and Oshkosh, Wisconsin, have been reduced. The mission station in Des Moines county continues. The allowances appropriated to the missionaries, at Bellevue, Iowa, and Waukesha, Wisconsin, have with their consent been suspended, in consequence of some local arrangement, but will, it is probable, soon be resumed. The Bishop of Iowa as a Missionary Bishop of the Domestic Board has been assisted in his work by the Association. The missions at Fort Des Moines and Cedar Rapids have been in active progress, and Ministers having been found for the stations at Oskaloosa and Iowa City, they are now upon our lists. In Minnesota our single Missionary furnishes us with satisfactory reports, but besides him as yet we have not found any missionaries willing to undertake the work. For the Oregon Mission considerable sums have been contributed from many portions of the Church. Especially in the Diocese of Virginia has this field excited a great interest, and a number of the churches of that Diocese having pledged themselves to furnish a specific sum annually for the object, a Missionary was chosen, the

Rev. J. McCormac, who is now laboring under Bishop Scott at Portland, and receives his support through this Association. The Board are fully prepared now to send out suitable men, who may offer their services, to Oregon, Kansas, Nebraska, and Minnesota, and invoke the prayers of their friends, that men who are rightly qualified may be led by the Holy Spirit to come forward at the call of these destitute places. The means are at hand—Where are the men?

During the past year a contribution of $50 was placed in the hands of the officers of the Board to be expended in the purchase of Ryle's Tracts from the Evangelical Knowledge Society for distribution among Missionaries in the West. This was faithfully attended to and is mentioned here in order that others may become acquainted with a method of doing good which is certainly most effective. Farther details of our actual operations may be fully seen in the report of the Treasurer which is appended hereto.

Submitted by order of the Board,

M. A. DE W. HOWE,
D. S. MILLER,
G. L. HARRISON,
Committee.

Dr. *Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,*

1855.			
May 21,	To amount of the following drafts paid out of funds in hands of T. N. Stanford, Esq.....		
	" No. 97, Rev. G. W. Watson, Bellevue, Iowa,.....	$75 00	
	" " 98, Rev. A. Louderback, Davenport, Iowa,....	50 00	
	" " 99, Rev. D. Chase, Chicago, Illinois,.....	25 00	
	" " 100, Rev. J. Ufford, Muscatine, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 101, Rev. C. B. Stout, Waukesha, Iowa,.,...	25 00	
	" " 102, Rev. N. N. Cowgill, Hickman, Ky.,.....	50 00	
	" " 103, Rev. Wm. Adderly, Burlington, Iowa,....	100 00	
	" " 104 Rev. E. W. Peet Fort Des Moines,.....	125 00	$550 00
June 1,	" discount on uncurrent notes,.....		42
July 6,	To Cash remitted to T. N. Stanford, Esq., Treas. for the payment of the following orders on me viz.,		
	" " 104, Rev. C. W. Tolford, Oshkosh, Iowa,.....	27 78	
	" " 105, Rev. E. Adams, Peru, Illinois,.....	25 00	
	" " 106, Rev. S. Starr, Cedar Rapids,.....	83 34	
	" " 107, Rev. J. A. Russell, Stillwater, Mo.....	175 00	
	" " 108, Rev. Geo. Denison, Keokuk, Iowa,.....	75 00	386 12
31,	" Cash paid for Bank check book, and P. O. stamps, ...		1 50
	" " remitted T. N. Stanford, Esq , by Rev. G. S. Carraway, Urbana, Va.,.....		24 50
Aug. 31,	" Cash remitted T. N. Stanford, Esq., for the payment of the following salaries of Missionaries on the orders of the Board of Managers,..		
	" " 109, Rev. A. Louderback, Davenport, Iowa,....	50 00	
	" " 110, Rev. J. A. Russell, Stillwater, Mo.,.....	75 00	
	" " 111, Rev. Dudley Chase, Chicago, Ills., ...	25 00	
	" " 112, Rev. Jno. Ufford, Muscatine, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 113, Rev. N. N. Cowgill, Hickman, Ky.....	50 00	
	Amount carried forward,	$300 00	$962 54

in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. *Cr.*

1855.			
May 7,	By balance in Treasury as per last Report,...		$2807 60
11,	" St. John's Ch., Portsmouth, Va. by Rev. Mr. Chisholm, Rector,.....	$4 00	
21,	" Cash Wm. Thaw, Esq,.....	5 00	
28,	" " Rev. C. W. Andrews, by Rev. Dr. Howe, towards support of missionary in Oregon, from Roanoke Parrish, by Rev. J. T. Clarke,.	10 00	
	" " Mrs. H. E. Coleman,.....	20 00	
	" " Ladies Sewing Society, Grace Church Cumberland, ...	5 00	
	" " Sheldon Church, South Carolina, by Rector Rev. C. E. Leverett, for Missions in the South West.....	5 00	
June 1,	" " Rev. C. W. Andrews, by Rev. Dr. Howe,.....	35 00	
	" " Sheldon Ch. South Carolina,.....	5 00	
7,	" " Herman Cope, Subs.,.....	10 00	
July 2,	" " Ch. Holy Trinity,.....	60 00	159 00
17,	" " St. Michael's Ch. N. J. per Rev. S. Clements, ...		33 08
18,	" " From member of St. John's Church Portsmouth Va., per Rev. J. Chisholm for Rev. J. Ufford.....		10 00
21,	" " Dr. G. L. Rose, Geneva N. Y. per Rev. C. D. Cooper,.....		35 00
	" " Wm. Heyward, Esq., Sheldon Ch. S. C. per Rev. C. E. Leverett Rector, ...	25 00	
30,	" " Rev. J. Grammer, Halifax C. H. Va..	20 00	
31,	" " From Mrs. R., per Rev. J. S. Carraway, Urbana, Va., remitted T. N. Stanford, Treas. Dom. Com.....	24 50	
Aug. 1,	" " St. Paul's Ch., Montrose (May 16.)	12 00	
13,	" " W. W. T., New York. "A Friend to Gospel Missions" for Missions in Oregon, per letter,.....	170 00	
17,	" " Miss M. Weir, St. James' Church, Brentsville, Prince Wm. Co. Va., by Rev. J. Fowles,.....	5 00	
20,	" " Mrs. U. A. Jackson, Milwaukie, per Rev. Dr. J. A. Vaughan,.....	10 00	
23,	" " From two Ladies in N. York, by Rt. Rev. A. Potter,.....	200 66	
31,	" " Girard Life Insurance and Trust Co. for interest on deposit to June 12th 1855,.....	75 33	
Sept. 3,	" Contribution from Christ's Ch. Towanda, by Rev. B. J. Douglass,.....	10 00	
4,	" Rev. E. H. Canfield, per Rev. R. Newton,	81 35	
13,	" " N. C. Cornwall Rector St. Andrew's Ch. Pittsburgh, by Rev. D. S. Miller, ...	23 00	656 84
	Amount carried forward,		$3701 52

Dr. *Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,*

1855.	To amount brought forward,	$300 00	$962 54
Aug. 31,	To Cash remt., No. 114, Rev. Wm. Adderly, Burlington, Iowa,....	100 00	
	" " 115, Rev. Geo. Dennison, Keokuk, Iowa,.....	75 00	
	" " 116, Rev. G. A. Watson, Bellevue, Iowa.	75 00	
	" " 117, Rev. C. W. Tolford, Oshkosh, Wis.....	25 00	
	" " 118, Rev. S. Starr, Cedar Rapids, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 119, Rev. E. Adams, Peru, Illinois, ...	25 00	
	" " 120, Rev. E. W. Peet, Fort Des Moines, Iowa....	125 00	825 00
Sept. 11,	" Cash remitted to T. N. Stanford, Esq., to pay the following orders, viz:.....		
	" " 121, Right. Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D.....	300 00	
	" " 122, Rev. C. B. Stout, Waukesha, Wis.....	16 67	316 67
24,	" " 123, Rev. J. McCormac, for Oregon		100 00
Oct. 2,	" " 124, Rev. J. McCormac, for Oregon.....		200 00
	" Cash remitted T. N. Stanford, Esq., by Revd. A. B. Atkins, Rector of Christ Church Germantown, subject to our order.....		115 00
Nov. 7,	" Cash paid Stavely and McCalla's bill, per order.		16 00
	" " for the following orders paid per T. N. Stanford, Treas. Dom. Com. of Missions.		
	" " 125, Rev. J. A. Russell, Stillwater, Mass., per. my letter to him of this date.....	75 00	
	" " 126, Right Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D., Davenport, Iowa,.....	300 00	
	" " 128, Rev. C. W. Tolford, Oshkosh, Win.,.....	25 00	
	" " 129, Rev. S. Starr, Cedar Rapids, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 130, Rev. E. Adams, Peru, Illinois,.....	25 00	
	" " 131, Rev. E. W. Peet, Fort Des Moines, Iowa...	125 00	
	" " 132, Rev. W. H. Barris, Iowa City,.....	50 00	700 00
	Amount carried forward,		$3235 21

in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. *Cr.*

1855.	To amount brought forward,		$3701 52
Sept. 13,	By Rev. H. Tullidge, St. Paul's Ch. Bloomsburg, by Rev. D. S. Miller,.....	$4 00	
	" " D. S. Miller, from St. Mark's Church Frankford, Philada. Co.,.....	20 00	
21,	" A. G. Tyng, Esq., Peoria, Ills., by Rev. Dr. Newton,.....	100 00	
26,	" A Friend to Missions, Raleigh, N. C., for Oregon Mission, per letter,.....	100 00	
Oct. 2,	" Rev. A. B. Atkins, Rector of Christ's Ch. Germantown, sent T. N. Stanford, Treasurer,.....	115 00	
	" Cash from E. C. Benson, Gambier, Ohio, by Rev. J. G. Maxwell,.....	10 00	
8,	" " Missionary Society of St. Andrew's Church, Philada.....	400 00	
	" John D. Taylor, Philada. Contribution,....	25 00	
	" Balance in hands of T. N. Stanford, Treas. Dom. Com. N. Y., restored as Cash on hand,.....	103 71	
11,	" Missionary Society of St. Philip's Church Philadelphia,.....	250 00	
12,	" St. George's Ch., Fredericksburg, Va., by Rev. E. C. McGuire D. D., for Missions in Oregon,.....	22 00	
13,	" Wickliffe Ch. Clarke Co , Va., by Rector,	10 60	
15,	" Rev. G. M. Randall, Boston, transmitted to T. N. Stanford N. York, by Rev. D. S. Miller,.....	60 50	
	" Mr. J. Cooke, St. Paul's Ch., Philad'a do.	75 00	1295 81
	" Rev. J. P. Hubbard, St. John's Church, Northampton, Mass., transmitted to T. N. Stanford, Treas., D. C. New York,.....	39 09	
22,	" Cash from C., Georgetown, D. C., Foreign and Domestic Missions,.....	10 00	
	" Rev. J. Peterkin, Rector St. James' Ch. Richmond, Va., for Mission in Oregon,.....	25 00	
23,	" " W. D. Hanson, contribution from Trinity Ch. Princeton, N. J.,.....	104 71	
	" " From Sunday School,	2 04	
26,	" St. Stephen's Ch., Harrisburg, Pa. by Rev. Mr. Bean, Rector.....	15 00	
	" Rt. Rev. W. Meade, D. D.....	50 00	
Nov. 2,	" Rev. W. D. Hanson, contribution of a Lady and Gentleman of Trinity Church Princeton, N. J.,.....	23 00	
6,	" Mr. E. T. Clarke, Newtown, Conn.....	5 00	
20,	" E. W. Dunham, Esq., N. Y., by Rt. Rev. A. Potter,.....	50 00	
	" Rev. S. A. Clarke, from Advent Ch.....	69 68	
	" " E. H. Canfield, Brooklyn, New York, being half the amount found by Mrs. H. in the pocket book of her Son, after his decease,.....	37 86	431 38
	Amount carried forward,		$5428 71

Dr. *Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,*

1855.	To amount brought forward,		$3235 21
Nov. 7,	To Cash paid King & Baird's bill Printing, &c.,		152 77
	" " order of Revd. D. S. Miller, Secy., expenses,.....		225 00
15,	" " remitted T. N. Stanford, New York, to pay order No. 127, Rev. G. Denison, Keokuk, Iowa,.....		75 00
19,	" Cash remitted to T. N. Stanford Treas. to pay the following orders on me, viz:.....		
	" " 133, Rev. J. Ufford, Mustine, Iowa,.....	$100 00	
	" " 134, Rev. Wm. Adderly, Burlington, Iowa,....	100 00	
	" " 235, Rev. G. W. Watson, Bellevue, Iowa,.....	75 00	275 00
	Amount carried forward,		$3962 98

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1855.	To amount brought forward,		$5428 71
Nov. 23,	By Cash from a member of Trinity Church, Oxford, Philada. Co., by Rev. Edward Y. Buchanan Rector,.....	$3 00	
30,	" Rev. J. Fowles, for one half of collection in St. James' Church Brentsville, Prince William Co., Va., for this association.....	5 00	
	" do. do. St. Paul's Ch. Haymarket,...	7 50	
	" Rev. A. Beatty, Rector Trinity Church, Carbondale, Penna., contribution from a Lady in his Parish,.....	10 00	
Dec. 3,	" " Rev. J. W. Claxton, Rector St. James' Ch. Zanesville, Ohio, by Rev. Dr. Stevens,.....	49 00	
5,	" " M. L. Cheever, Chaplain Fort Monroe, Old Point Comfort, Va., from a few friends, ...	18 00	
7,	" Trinity Ch. Muscatine, Iowa, by Tho's N. Stanford, Treas., D., C., N. York,.	50 00	
	" All Saints' Ch. Worcester, Mass., by same,	15 00	
	" Rev. B. J. Douglass, Rector Christ Church, Tow'a, Pa., by B. S. Russell, Esq.,	12 00	
8,	" Bangor Ch. Churchtown, Pa., by Rev. E. L. Lyeett, Rector,.....	28 75	
	" St. Thomas' Ch., Morgantown, do.,.....	4 25	
10,	" Mrs. L. Bisroe, N. Orleans, by Rev. N. O. Preston, ...	2 50	205 00
12,	" " H. A. S., Cumberland, Md., by Messrs. Stavely & McCalla,.....	5 00	
14,	" Rev. T. A. Hopkins, Rector of St. George's Ch., St. Louis, Mo., being one half of collection in his Church,.....	11 55	
	Amount carried forward,	$16 55	$5633 71

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1855.	To amount brought forward,		$3962 98
Dec. 17,	To Cash paid order of Rev. D. S. Miller, Secy., dated 15th inst. for incidental expenses,..		37 00
	Amount carried forward,		$3999 98

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1855.		To amount brought forward.	$16 55	$5053 71
Dec. 17.	By Rev.	D. Kendig, contribution by Mrs. M. Munroe, Shaftesbury, Vermont, per Rev. A. B. Hard,	4 00	
19.	"	St. Paul's Parish, King George's Co. Va., by Rev. K. T. Stewart,	15 00	
	"	Missionary Society Grace Ch., Honesdale, Penn., by Rev. R. B. Duane	50 00	
21,	"	Church of the Saviour, West Philad., collection on Thanksgiving Day, by Mr. C. M. Schott, Warden,	12 77	
24,	"	Rev. J. A. Stone, D. D., Rector St. Paul's Ch., Brookline, Mass., by Rev. Dr. Howe	70 00	
	" "	E. H. Canfield, D. D, Rector of Christ Ch., Brooklyn, N. Y., by Rev. Dr. Howe,	90 00	
	" "	G. D. Miles, Rector St. Stephen's Ch., Wilkesbarre, Pa., for Advent collection, $66 00		258 32
	"	Hon. J. N. Conyngham, subs. 3 00		
	"	Mrs. Fuller $3. Mrs. Hilliard $3 6 00		
	"	Mrs. Ross $3. Mrs. Slocum $3 6 00		
	"	Mr. H. Coit $3. V. L. Maxwell $3 6 00		
	"	Mrs. Maxwell 3 00		
			90 00	
26,	"	Rev. D. F. Sprigg, Rector Missionary Ch., Alexandria, Va.	21 25	
	" "	C. W. Thompson Rector St. Johns' Ch., York Pen., Advent collection.	18 83	
31,	" "	N. S. Harris, Rector Ascension Ch., amount of collection	25 00	
	"	Zion Ch., Newport, R. I., by Mr. A. Bush,	31 00	
1856.				
Jan'y 2.	"	A Friend to Missions by Rev. W. B. Stevens	100 00	
4,	"	Rev. F. W. Whittle, Rector Grace Ch., Berrysville, Va., towards support of Rev. Mr. McCormac, Missionary to Oregon. $40 00		
	"	do. contributed to this Assoc'n 11 00		
			51 00	
7,	"	A member of St. John's Ch., Camden, N. J.,	1 00	
12,	"	All Saints' Church, Philada.,	8 17	
	"	Christ Ch., Millwood, Va., by Rev. R. C. Randolph, M. D.	36 00	
15,	" "	Ch., Boston, by Rev. G. W. Randall,	18 00	
	"	St. Paul's Ch., Boston, by same,	145 07	
	"	Ch. of the Messiah, Boston, by same,	16 00	
16,	"	St. Mark's Ch., New York, by Rev. H. Anthon, D. D.,	50 00	
	"	H. A. Brown, by Stavely & McCalla,	7 50	111 32
		Amount carried forward,	$7 50	$6503 35

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1856.	To amount brought forward,		$3999 98
Jan'y 19,	To Cash paid on order of Rev. D. S. Miller, Secy., for incidental expenses of office,.....		25 00
	" Cash remitted T. N. Stanford, Treas., to pay the following order, viz:.....		
	" " 136, Rev. P. A. Johnston, Oskaloosa,.....	29 00	
	" " 137, Rev. W. H. Barris, Iowa City,.....	100 00	
			129 00
Jan'y 31,	" " to T. N. Stanford, Treas., to pay the following orders, viz:.....		
	" " 138, Rev. J. A. Russell, Stillwater Ma.,.....	86 50	
	" " 139, Right Rev. H. W. Lee, D. D., Davenport, Iowa, ...	300 00	
	" " 140, Rev. Geo. W. Denison, Keokuk, Iowa,.....	75 00	
	" " 141, Rev. C. W. Tolford, Oshkosh, Iowa,.....	25 00	
	" " 142, Rev. S. Starr, Cedar Rapids, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 143, Rev. E. Adams, Peru, Illinois,.....	25 60	
	" " 144, Rev. E. W. Peet, Fort Des Moines, Iowa....	125 00	
	" " 145, Rev. W. H. Barris, Iowa City,.....	50 00	
	" " 146, Rev. J. Ufford, Muscatine, Iowa,.....	100 00	
	" " 147, Rev. Wm. Adderly, Burlington, Iowa,....	100 00	
	" " 148, Rev. Geo. W. Watson, Bellevue, Iowa,.....	75 00	
	" " 149, Rev. P. A. Johnston, Oskaloosa,.....	25 00	
			1086 50
	Amount carried forward		$5240 48

in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. *Cr.*

1856.	To amount brought forward,	7 50	$6503 35
Jan'y 16,	By St. Marks' Ch., Baltimore, by Rev. Mr. McFarland, Rector, by Stavely & McCalla,	11 50	
17,	" A member of St. Matthew's Ch., Wheeling,	5 00	
19,	" A Friend to the Cause, Munitowoc, Wis.,	1 00	
	" All Saints' Parish, Frederick, Md., by Rev. C. Seymour,	44 45	
	" St. James' Ch., Richmond, Va., by Rev. J. Peterkin, for Mission to Oregon,	25 00	
	" " Luke's Ch., Powhattan Parish, Va., by Rev. A. Fisher, Rector, for Oregon,	20 00	
	" Same, a contribution to Dom. Missions,	5 00	
	" Trinity Ch., Sheppardstown, Va., by Rev. C. W. Andrews, D. D., per Rev. D. S. Miller,	25 00	
	" St. Mark's Ch., Frankford, Pa., balance of subscription of $30, to constitute E. G. Miller, a life member,	10 00	
21,	" St. John's Ch., Dubuque, Iowa, by T. N. Stanford, N. Y.,	28 45	
	" St. John's Ch., Keokuk, by same,	17 00	
	" Ravenwood Ch., L. Island, N. Y. by same,	20 56	
	" St. Paul's Ch., Portsmouth, R. I. do.,	13 00	
	" St. Thomas' Ch., Balti're Co., Md. do.,	5 00	
	" Trinity Ch., Ulster Co., (from a Parishoner,) by same,	20 00	
	" Rev. F. A. Wadleigh, Rector of St. James' Ch., Arlington, Va.,	5 50	258 46
22,	" Christ Ch., Millwood Clark Co., Va., by Rev. J. F. Hoff, Rector,	10 00	
26,	" Members of St. Paul's Ch., Chestnut Hill, Philada., by Rev. Mr. Shiras Rector, through Mr. Bohlen,	10 00	
	" Missionary Association St. Andrew's Ch., Andover, Mass., by Rev. S. Cutler,	30 00	
29,	" Trinity Ch., Buchanan, Va., by Rev. F. M. Baker,	35 00	
31,	" Rev. H. N. Bishop, Wankesha, Wis., by Rev. D. S. Miller, Sec'y,	31 20	121 70
Feb'y 4,	" A Parishioner of Trinity Ch., Ulster, N. J.,	20 00	
5,	" Sunday School of St. Paul's Ch., Uniontown, Penna., by Rev. D. S. Miller, Sec'y,	5 00	
	" St. Paul's Ch., Philada., by Rev. R. Newton, D. D.,	50 00	
	" A Friend in the District of Columbia, for circulation of Ryles' Tracts by our Missionaries in the West, by Rev. A. Shiras, Chestnut Hill, Phil'a,	50 00	
7,	" St. Matthew's Ch., Wheeling, Va., by Rev. E. T. Perkins, Rector, towards support of Rev. J. McCormac, Oregon,	50 00	175 00
	Amount carried forward,		$7058 51

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1856.	To amount brought forward,		$5240 48
	Amount carried forward,		$5240 48

in account with Herman Cope, Treasurer, *Cr.*

1856.	To amount brought forward,		$7058 51
Feb'y 7,	By St Paul's Ch., Albemarle Co., Va., by Rev. D. C. T Davis, from Mrs. Colston..... $2 00 From self,..... 6 00	8 00	
11,	" Ch. of the Messiah, Port Richmond, Phil., by Rev. J. Rudderow Rector,.....	10 30	
12,	" C. and H., a contribution for Missions in the West,.....	10 00	
	" St. Peter's Ch., Clarksborough, N. J., by Rev. S. C. Stratton Rector,.....	19 32	
14,	" H. and L., through Stavely & McCalla,....	5 00	
16,	" Sunday School of St. Paul's Ch., Montrose, Pa., by Rev. Mr. Byllesby, Rector,	13 00	
	" St. Peter's Ch., Smyrna, Del., by J. T. Wilson, ...	5 00	
	" A Friend to Missions, Queen Ann's Co., Maryland, ...	5 00	
	" Rev. E. C. McGuire, balance of subscription to Oregon Mission in full,.....	28 00	
	" Same for general purposes,.....	7 00	
22,	" Missionary Association of the Ch. of the Holy Trinity, Westchester, Pa., by Mr. J. H. Bradford, Treas.,.....	7 50	
23,	" Monumental Ch., Richmond, Va., by G. D. Fisher, Treas., Oregon, $50 00 " General purposes,..... 31 15	81 15	
	" St. Paul's Ch., Peru, Ills., by Rev. E, Adams, through Rev. D. S. Miller Secretary, ...	10 00	
			209 27
26,	" Signum of Philadelphia,.....	25 00	
	" Grace Ch., Latimer Parish, Lexington, Va., by Rev. W. N. Pendleton, Rector,	7 50	
			32 50
29,	" St Jude's Ch., Phila., by T. N. Stanford New York,.....	40 38	
	" Emmanuel Ch., Middlebury, Va., do.....	25 00	
	" Trinity Ch., Upperville, Va.,.... do.....	10 00	
	" St. Paul's Ch., Bellevue, Iowa, do.....	10 00	
	" St. Thomas' Ch., Orange Co., Va., do.....	24 00	
	" Grace Ch., Petersburg, Va.,..... do.....	25 00	
	" Christ Ch., Fairfax Parish, Va., do.....	25 00	
	" Wm. Packer, Esq., Detr't, Mich'n, do.....	50 00	
	" Ch. of the Ascension, N. York,... do.....	250 00	
			459 38
	" L., Boston, Mass., for this Association,...	5 00	
March 3,	" Zion Ch., Charleston, Va., by Rev. C. E. Ambler Rector, viz., towards support of Rev. Mr. McCormac in Oregon,..... $40 00 General purposes of the Association, 15 00	55 00	5 00
	Amount carried forward,	55 00	$7764 66

Dr. *Episcopal Missionary Association for the West,*

1856.	To amount brought forward,			$5240 48
Jan'y 31,	To Cash paid Revd. D. S. Miller, Secretary, for expenses per voucher of this date.....		31 50	
Feb'y 11,	" " for P. O. stamps,.....		30	
March 7,	" " Rev. D. S. Miller, Secy., to be expended in the purchase of "Ryles' Tracts" for distribution among the Missionaries in the West; being the contribution of "a friend to Missions" in the District of Columbia for that purpose.		50 00	
11,	" remitted to T. N. Stanford, Treas., to be paid by him to Rev. C. C. Townsend, Iowa, City, as the one half of a contribution of by "a member of All Saints' Church, Frederick, Md.," so directed to be paid by him.....		10 00	
				91 80
May 1,	Balance, as follows,.....			
	" In Girard Trust Co.,....	$1000 00		
	" In Bank of N. America,	1735 75		
	" Cash in hand,..	50 00		
	" In hands of T. N. Stanford, Treas.,.....	1196 01		
				3981 76
		$3981 76		
				$9314 04

The undersigned, member of the Committee of Finance, to whom was referred the account of Herman Cope, Treas'r of the Episcopal Missionary Association for the West, for examination, hereby certifies that he has examined the same, and after comparing the several items of charge therein contained, with the proper vouchers thereof exhibited by him, finds the above account correct, as stated; and leaving a balance in the Treasurer's hands, on this seventh day of May, 1856, of Three Thousand Nine and Eighty One 76-100 Dollars.

JAY COOKE.

in Account with Herman Cope, Treasurer. *Cr.*

1856.	To amount brought forward,	$55 00	$7764 66
March 3,	By Christ Ch., Mobile, Ala., remitted by Rev. B. B. Leacock, D. D., to T. N. Stanford, Treas., subject to our order,	$50 00	
7,	" St. Mark's Ch., Fincastle, Va., by Rev. F. M. Baker,.....	12 75	
8,	" A member of All Saints' Ch., Frederick, Md., for Missions in the West, viz., one half for Rev. Mr. Townsend,	20 00	
17,	" Ch. of the Holy Trinity, Westchester, Pa.,	12 50	
			150 25
22,	" By Union Ch., Seymour, Con., by the Rev. O. E. Shannon Rector,.....	10 00	
24,	" St. Luke's Church, Philadelphia, by G. L. Harrison, Esq.,.....	550 00	
25,	" St. Mark's Ch., Fincastle, Va., by the Rev. F. M. Baker, Rector,.....	5 00	
28,	" St. Mark's Ch., Warrenton, Va., by the Rev. G. H. Norton, for support of the Missionaries in Oregon,.....	17 50	
	" C. Temple, Esq., Mineral Point, Wis.,.....	5 00	587 50
April 2,	" St. Matthew's Ch., Kenosha, Wis., by the Rev. H. N. Bishop,.....	15 00	
3,	" Hungar's Parish, Northampton Co., Va., by Rev. J. M. Chevers,.....	80 00	
	" Ch. of the Epiphany by Z. Locke, Esq., for support of Rev. J. A. Russell,	50 00	145 00
24,	The following sums have been contributed through the Treasurer of the Domestic Committee in N. York,		
May 1.	By Ascension Church, Fall River, Mass.,.....	3 65	
	" St. James' Church, Roxbury, "	21 00	
	" Christ Church, Waltham, "	50 00	
	" Ch. of the Messiah, Woodshole, "	30 00	
	" St. Luke's Church, Rochester, N. Y., by Mr. W.,.....	15 00	
	" Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Va.....	25 00	
	" Christ Church, Middlesex, Va., by Mrs. R.,	40 00	
	" St. John's Church, Moore Parish, Va.,....	7 50	
	" Ch. of the Atonement, Sunday S., Chicago,	10 00	
	" Christ Church, Mobile, Ala.,.....	60 00	
	" St. John's Church, Providence, R. I.,.....	150 02	
	" St. James' Church, Abington, Vermont,...	5 50	
	" St. Thomas' Church, New York,.....	135 85	
	" Trinity Church, Upperville, Virginia,.....	10 00	
	" L. P. Williams, Esq.,.....	1 00	
	" Christ Church, Brownsville, Penna.....	36 33	
	" St. John's Church, Jamaica Plains, Mass.,	50 00	
	" Contribution for Missionary cause,.	15 78	
			666 63
			$9314 04
	By Balance per contra,.....		$3981 76

Error Excepted

HERMAN COPE, *Treasurer.*

Philadelphia, May 7, 1856.

List of the names of the Clergymen, in the Diocese of Virginia, who agreed to contribute the sum set opposite to their respective names, for the support of a Missionary in Oregon, from July 1st, 1855.

	Contribution.	Paid.	Due.
Rev. Charles Minnegerode, D. D., Christ Church, Norfolk,	$75 00		$75 00
" Wm. Jackson, St. Paul's, Norfolk, by A. L Seabury,	25 00		25 00
" Dr. Totten, St. Paul's Richmond,	50 00		50 00
" J. Peterkin, St. James', Richmond,	50 00	$50 00	
" G. Woodbridge, Monu'tal Ch., Richmond,	50 00	50 00	
" C. B. Dana, Christ Church, Alexandria,	25 00	25 00	
" C. W. Andrews, Trinity Church, Sheppardstown,	25 00	25 00	
" C. E. Ambler, Zion Church, Charlestown,	40 00	40 00	
" F. M. Baker, Trinity Church, Buchanan,	35 00	35 00	
" J. F. Hoff, Christ Church, Millwood,	25 00	25 00	
" G. H. Norton, St. James' Ch., Warrenton,	20 00	17 50	2 50
" C. J. Gibson, Grace Church, Petersburg,	25 00	25 00	
" R. K. Meade, Christ Ch., Charlottesville,	40 00		40 00
" John C. McCabe, St. John's Church, Hampton,	25 00		25 00
" T. T. Castleman, Trinity Ch., Staunton,	25 00		25 00
" C. Walker, Christ Church, Winchester,	40 00		40 00
St. James' Church, Mecklenburg Co.,	20 00		20 00
" E. C. McGuire D. D., St. George's, Ch.. Fredericksburg,	50 00	50 00	
" F. M. White, Grace Church, Berrysville,	40 00	40 00	
" Andrew Fisher, St. Luke's Church, Powhattan Co., (Sublette)	20 00	20 00	
" E. T. Perkins, St. Matthews' Church, Wheeling,	50 00	50 00	
Total	$755 00	$452 50	$302 50

OREGON MISSION.

The following sums have been contributed specially to this Mission, and are included in the Treasurer's general account, forming a part of the Balance in his hands on the 1st of May, 1856.

1855.			
May 28,	By Roanoke Parish, Va., by Rev. C. W. Andrews,		$10 00
Aug. 13,	" W. W. T., New York, per letter,		170 00
Sept. 26,	" A Friend to Missions, North Carolina,		100 00
Oct. 12,	" St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Va.,		22 00
22,	" St. James' Church, Richmond, Va.,		25 00
1856.			
Jan'y 4,	" Grace Church, Berrysville, Virginia,		40 00
12,	" Christ Church, Millwood, Virginia,		25 00
19,	" St James' Church, Richmond, Virginia,		25 00
	" St. Luke's Church, Powhattan, Virginia,		20 00
	" Trinity Church, Sheppardstown, Virginia,		25 00
29,	" Trinity Church, Buchanan, Virginia,		35 00
Feb'y 7,	" St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling, Virginia,		50 00
16,	" St. George's Church, Fredericksburg, Va.,		28 00
18,	" St. Paul's Church, Peru, Illinois,		10 00
23,	" Monumental Church, Richmond, Virginia,		50 00
29,	" Grace Church, Petersburg, Virginia,		25 00
	" Christ Church, Fairfax Parish, Alexandria, Virginia,		25 00
March 3,	" Zion Church, Charlestown, Virginia,		40 00
28,	" St. James' Church, Warrenton, Virginia,		17 50
			$742 50
1855.			
Sept. 24,	Paid to Rev. J. McCormac, by Mr. Stanford Treasurer,	$100	
Oct. 2,	do. do. do.	200	300 00
	Balance of fund unexpended, May, 1856		$442 50